

September 1, 2010

**AIRPORT CONSTRUCTION NOTICE  
RUNWAY SAFETY AREA IMPROVEMENTS  
RESULTING IN RUNWAYS CLOSURES**

Dear Airport Tenants:

The City of Mesa will be performing upgrades to the runway safety areas for Runways 4R-22L and 4L-22R starting the week of September 20<sup>th</sup>. The FAA established a nationwide Runway Safety Program in 2002 and Falcon Field has been an active partner in this program. Implementation includes regular runway safety inspection visits and safety recommendations by FAA Western-Pacific Region personnel in partnership with Airport and Falcon Tower management and staff.

This project, as part of the Runway Safety Action Plan for Falcon Field, will reduce the potential for damage to aircraft that may inadvertently leave the runways or taxiways and traverse the safety areas located adjacent to the runways and taxiways. There are two main parts to the project:

1. **PHASE 1** - Construction of new flush-mounted storm drain inlets and outlets on existing pipe culverts between Runway 4R-22L and Taxiway D (D3/D4, D4/D5, C) and at Taxiway A between the runways to eliminate the condition of protruding, unprotected pipe ends that currently exists. This will also eliminate wildlife using the pipes for shelter.
2. **PHASE 2** - Re-grading and flattening the cross slopes on the open storm drain channel located along the south side of Runway 4L-22R to improve safety for aircraft that may enter that safety area. This project will also install grouted riprap erosion protection on the retention basin side slopes located adjacent to the south end of Runway 4L and Taxiway E.

Phase 1 is tentatively scheduled to commence the week of September 20<sup>th</sup> with a completion date of October 19<sup>th</sup> (weather and construction issues permitting). Due to the work occurring adjacent to the runway, it will be necessary for the runway to be closed intermittently. The airport will work with the contractor and Falcon Tower to minimize the runway closures to the greatest extent possible consistent with safety and to shorten the construction period wherever possible.

Phase 2 is tentatively scheduled to commence on October 20<sup>th</sup> with a completion date of November 30<sup>th</sup> (weather and construction issues permitting). This start date is entirely dependent upon the completion of Phase 1. Phase 2 will not commence until Phase 1 is complete and the Runway 4R-22L is ready for full use. Due to the grading work occurring adjacent to the runway, it will be necessary for the runway to be closed. The airport will work with the contractor and Falcon Tower to minimize the total time that the north runway is closed to the greatest extent possible consistent with safety and to shorten the construction period wherever possible.

Thank you for your patience and cooperation as we complete this important runway safety project. Please feel free to contact me directly with any questions at 480-644-4230 or [jeffrey.tripp@mesaaz.gov](mailto:jeffrey.tripp@mesaaz.gov).

Sincerely,

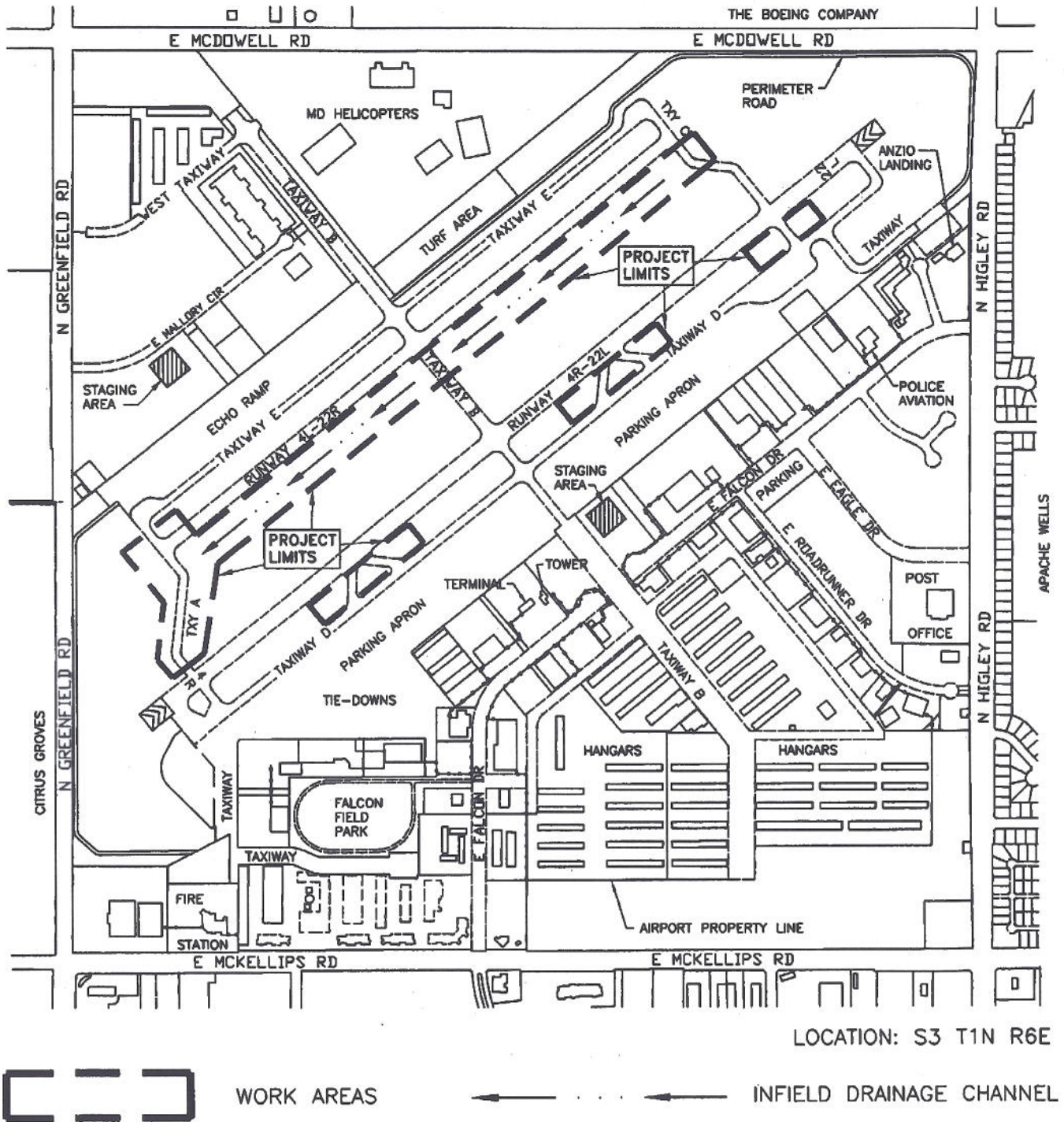


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# EXHIBIT "A" PROJECT LOCATION MAP



## EXHIBIT "A" FALCON FIELD AIRPORT STORM DRAIN SAFETY IMPROVEMENTS CITY PROJECT NO. 06-078-001



